

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace lines 6-8 on page 1 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

--This application is a national stage filing of International Application No. PCT/US2005/010212 filed March 25, 2005 and published under PCT Article 21(2) in English, which claims a right of priority to United States Patent Application Serial No. 60/557,400, filed March 30, 2004. Both ~~which~~ applications ~~are~~ is hereby incorporated by reference in ~~its~~ their entirety entireties.--

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Please enter the following amendments without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please cancel claims 1-49 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add claims 50-95

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

50. (New) A molecule comprising a chemokine polypeptide chain having an N-terminus and a C-terminus, said chemokine polypeptide chain comprising (i) an amino acid sequence and cysteine pattern corresponding to a wild type chemokine, and (ii) a C-terminal truncation relative to said wild type chemokine, that eliminates one or more amino acid residues of an aggregation site relative to the corresponding wild type chemokine.

51. (New) The molecule of claim 50, wherein said N-terminus comprises amino acids of said chemokine polypeptide chain that are N-terminal to the first disulfide forming cysteine of said chemokine polypeptide chain.